

Amendment to the Specification:

Please add the following Cross Reference to Related Applications after the title of the invention:

CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

[0001] The present application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) on United States Provisional Application for Patent Serial No. 60/414,177 filed on September 27, 2002, Provisional Application for Patent Serial No. 60/459,254 filed on March 30, 2003, and International Application No. PCT/US2003/030902 filed on September 29, 2003 entitled "Implantable Stent with Modified Ends," the entire disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.